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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, CG, US  
SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PRESIDENT MOBUTU TO PRESIDENT CARTER

REF: KINSHASA 5007

1. ZAIRIAN PRESIDENCY DIRECTOR NIMY DELIVERED TO AMBASSADOR ON  
JUNE 5 LETTER SIGNED IN LUBUMBASHI JUNE 4 FROM MOBUTU TO  
PRESIDENT CARTER EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR USG ASSISTANCE.  
EMBASSY'S UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION FOLLOWS:

2. BEGIN TEXT:  
LUBUMBASHI, JUNE 4, 1978

TO: MR. JIMMY CARTER  
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
MR. PRESIDENT,  
FIRST, PERMIT ME TO REAFFIRM TO YOU ALL THE FEELINGS OF  
FRIENDSHIP THAT, IN MY OWN NAME AS WELL AS THAT OF THE ZAIRIAN  
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PEOPLE, I WANT TO EXPRESS TO YOUR GOVERNMENT AND THE AMERICAN  
PEOPLE.

THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE HAS ALWAYS APPRECIATED THE ASSISTANCE  
THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS NEVER  
CEASED TO GIVE IT FROM ITS ACCESSION TO INDEPENDENCE  
IN 1960 UNTIL TODAY, PARTICULARLY IN THE MOST DIFFICULT TIMES

EXPERIENCED BY OUR COUNTRY.

THUS, WE ARE PROUD AND HAPPY TO NOTE THE REMARKABLE EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO ESTABLISH IN FAVOR OF THE NATIONS OF THE THIRD WORLD, DEVOTED TO PEACE AND JUSTICE, A STRONG DEFENSE AGAINST THE INCREASINGLY DARING HEGEMONIC THRUST OF THE RUSSO-CUBAN COALITION WHICH HAS BECOME PARTICULARLY ASSERTIVE IN AFRICA.

THE ZAIRIAN PEOPLE WANT TO ASSURE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OF THEIR HIGH ESTEEM FOR THE POLITICAL COMMITMENT IT IS TAKING IN FAVOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE AGAINST THE MOVEMENTS OF THE COMMUNIST COALITION.

IT IS MY HOPE TO SEE THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE STRENGTHENED EVEN MORE.

PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, THE ASSURANCES OF MY VERY HIGH CONSIDERATION.

MOBUTU SESE SEKO KUKU NGBENDU WA ZA BANGA  
GENERAL DE CORPS D'ARMEE. END TEXT.

3. FRENCH TEXT BEING POUCHED TO AF/C JUNIOR.

4. NIMY GAVE NO INDICATION THAT GOZ INTENDS TO PUBLICIZE  
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